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Crown Prince Fahd

Fahd asserts support for Palestinian people

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 30 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd reaffirmed the King's full support for the Palestinian people a message delivered here Friday.

The message, read on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the people of Palestine, says that the Palestinian people have a legitimate right to re-establish their homeland and to self-determination. The message was read to members of the U.N.'s Special Committee on Palestine by Saudi Ambassador Sheikh Samir Shehadeh. Prince Fahd said it was imperative to make world public opinion realize that Israel's obscurity and disregard of the Palestinian people's rights were a dangerous threat to stability in the Middle East and to world peace. He added that to establish a just peace in the area, Israel must withdraw from all the occupied Arab territories — and first and

U.N. declares

Camp David accords invalid

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 30 (Agencies) — The General Assembly of the United Nations has declared that the Camp David accords between Egypt and Israel had no validity in determining the future of the Palestinian people.

It was the first time the world body had dismissed the agreements in a vote. The accords were concluded in September 1978 under the auspices of the United States and laid the groundwork for an Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty signed in Washington last March.

The council adopted a resolution on the accords by 75 votes to 33, with 37 abstentions. It rejected the provisions of the accords which "ignore, infringe upon, violate or deny the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people."

The assembly also adopted a resolution calling for the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to participate, on an equal footing with other parties, in all efforts, deliberations and conferences on the Middle East.

Voting on the motion to reject the Camp David accords was marked by procedural moves by Egypt and the U.S., which tried to prevent the resolution from being adopted.

The resolution strongly condemned "all partial agreements and separate treaties which constitute a flagrant violation of the rights of the Palestinian people."

It noted that the Camp David accords had been concluded outside the framework of the U.N. and without the participation of the PLO.

Egypt, Israel and the United States all voted against the draft, along with eight of the nine members of the European Economic Community. The other member, France, abstained.

Other parts of the draft strongly condemned "all partial agreements and separate treaties which constitute a flagrant violation of the rights of the Palestinian people," the principles of the U.N. Charter and the resolutions adopted in various international forums.

Calderon arrives

RIYADH, Nov. 30 (SPA) — Venezuelan Minister of Energy and Minerals Humberto Calderon Berti arrived here Friday on his tour of Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries members in preparation for the Dec. 17 summit in Caracas.

He was met at the airport by Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani and senior officials of his ministry.

The two men are expected to hold discussions on a number of energy-related topics. (See related story, page 10)

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Ethiopia pays tribute to Aden soldiers

NAIROBI, Nov. 30 (R) — Ethiopian head of state Mengistu Haile Mariam has paid tribute to the South Yemeni soldiers who died fighting rebels in Ethiopia and pledged to fight with South Yemen against common enemies. Addis Ababa radio reported Friday.

Lt. Col. Mengistu, on a visit to the fellow Marxist state across the Red Sea, visited the war museum and was decorated with medals at a state banquet Thursday night.

In talks with South Yemeni President Abdulfattah Ismail, Col. Mengistu discussed strengthening economic and political ties between the two states and paid tribute to the Yemeni soldiers who died fighting in Ethiopia, the radio said.

Comrade Chairman Mengistu expressed the

determination of Socialist Ethiopia to encounter common enemies and invaders in union with the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen," it added.

Several hundred Yemeni troops were ferried to the port of Massawa when it was besieged by Eritrean rebels early last year.

Diplomatic sources here said the Soviet Union, before it broke with Somalia and allied itself with Ethiopia in 1977, had attempted to promote a socialist federation of Ethiopia, South Yemen and Somalia.

Although Somalia's abrogation of its friendship treaty with the Soviet Union had ended that plan, Moscow still appeared to be encouraging closer ties between Ethiopia and South Yemen, they said.



Prince Salman



King Khaled

King receives more cables

Thousands march to embassy U.S. files suit in World Court

TEHRAN, Nov. 30 (Agencies) — Hundreds of thousands of Iranians, marking the holiest day of their Shiite calendar, massed Friday at Tehran University in preparation for a march to the U.S. Embassy where students are holding at least 50 Americans hostage.

"Everybody's going to the espionage center," said one marcher in his 20s, referring to Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini's claim that the embassy, occupied since Nov. 4, was a "spy nest."

Khomeini, who is leading opposition against the United States, called on the Iranian people to use the Ashura day, a time of mass mourning for the death of Hussein bin Ali, to vent their fury against the United States.

Tens of thousands turned up outside the embassy Thursday night, chanting prayers and shouting, "Allahu Akbar."

The Iranians are demanding that deposed Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi be extradited for trial on charges of mass murder and looting the country's wealth. The U.S. government has refused.

The Shah has been told by his doctors that he could leave the New York City hospital where he has been treated for cancer and gallstones.

Khomeini urged Muslim oil-producing countries Friday to use oil as a weapon against the United States, the official Pars news agency reported.

"If they do not, they will suffer the same fate of Mohammad Reza."

Khomeini told reporters, "it is better therefore that they heed our advice and condemn the United States. They should use the weapon of oil in their hands."

He said very much hoped that the Arab leaders were aware of Iran's economic and cultural destruction during the past 50 years and that they would support Iran.

The assembly also adopted another resolution reiterating previous calls for the PLO to participate "all efforts, deliberations and conferences on the Middle East" under the U.N. auspices, on an equal footing with other parties.

This draft, approved by 117 votes to 14 against with 16 abstentions, endorsed recommendations of the U.N.'s Palestine Rights Committee, expressed regret and concern that they had not been implemented, and noted with regret that the Security Council had not yet taken action on the recommendations.

The 23-nation committee, set up in December 1975, has called for Israel's withdrawal from territories it has occupied since

1967 and proposed a two-phase program for the return of Palestinians to their homes: first those displaced as a result of the 1967 war and later those displaced from 1948 and 1967.

The assembly, which has been debating the Palestine question this week, is due to vote at a later date on two other resolutions. They deal mainly with the future work of the Palestine rights committee and of the special section of the U.N. secretariat which services it.

Speaking before the voting, Ambassador Ahmed Esmat Abdul Meguid of Egypt rejected criticism of the Camp David accords.

Egypt had declared that the framework of the agreement was not a final solution to the Palestinian problem but just one step. Egypt had wrested commitments from Israel which would be of benefit to the Palestinians, he said.

Egypt had distinct reservations about the other draft, he said, referring to parts of the Palestine rights committee's report dealing with the Camp David accords. But he would vote for the draft.

Ambassador Richard Petree of the U.S. said the resolutions did not bring the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people one day closer. On the contrary, they were totally negative and sought to undermine the only viable framework for negotiations which existed today.

Most importantly, they placed the assembly, which should be dedicated to the search for peace, in the position of rejecting a peace treaty between sovereign neighbors. The U.S. rejected the resolutions in their entirety, Petree said.

Meanwhile, Egypt said Friday it would give sanctuary to the Shah after Mexico decided not to let him return from the United States.

RIYADH, Nov. 30 (SPA) — Security forces have orders to try and capture alive the remnants of the group which attacked the Holy Haram ten days ago, Interior Ministry officials said Friday.

Saudi Arabian security forces are continuing to tighten the ring around the group of renegades still holed up in the basement of the Grand Mosque, the officials said.

A majority of the group which violated the sanctity of the mosque have been arrested, many of them surrendering to the security forces.

The group of Islamic renegades — since denounced by every religious leader in the Kingdom and abroad — attacked the mosque last Tuesday after morning prayers, terrorizing worshippers — including many pilgrims and killing a number of them.

They proclaimed one of their members the "expected Mahdi" and ordered worshippers to recognize him as such.

The plan, however, was foiled when security forces hastened to the mosque and saved many of the worshippers, including many who had been taken hostage by the renegades.

In a series of attacks between Tuesday and Sunday the Saudi forces advanced and cleared all but the basement of the mosque, forcing many of the renegades to surrender.

While the siege of the gunmen in the basement continues, upstairs authorities have continued to clear the Haram of the 'Ubris left by the attackers.

Thursday and Friday prayers were held in the Haram, and a number of people performed the Tawaf — circling the Kaaba seven times.

Cleaning work began on Tuesday and continued until Friday evening.

Meanwhile, Governor of Riyadh Prince Salman cabled King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd Friday that the minute people

Saudi Arabia, China sign cultural pact

TAIPEI, Nov. 30 (ICNA) — Saudi Arabia and Nationalist China have agreed to step up cooperation in cultural and educational fields.

Under an agreement signed here Thursday the two countries are to increase their program of cooperation between universities and in other fields.

The agreement was signed by Deputy Minister of Higher Education Mahmoud M. Safar and Chinese Vice Minister of Education Li Mo.

It provides for an exchange of books, students, periodicals, films and cultural and language exchanges, a joint statement issued after the ceremony said.

And it sets the groundwork for a trip to Saudi Arabia in February by presidents of a number of Chinese universities and a return visit to Taiwan by senior officials from the Kingdom in April.

The education officials are to discuss topics relating to cooperation in scientific research, and student and teacher exchanges.

Officials say that Saudi technicians and some doctors will be trained at schools in Taiwan, and in return a number of Chinese students will fly to Riyadh during 1980-81 for Arabic training.

Rebels to be captured alive

here heard about the attack last Tuesday they converged on the local government headquarters to express their solidarity with the King and the government.

Prince Salman said large number of citizens and tribal chiefs expressed their absolute support for the King and offered their services against the perpetrators of the crime.

"We have seen in them real and sincere determination to do their duty towards their government and country," Salman said.

Both in the country and in the cities thousands of people declared their allegiance to the King and pledged to serve the country in any way possible, Prince Salman said. He thanked them all and expressed the King's confidence in them and promised to convey their feelings to the King and Crown Prince.

Meanwhile King Khaled has received hundreds of cables from individuals and tribal leaders speaking on behalf of their tribes from all over the Kingdom.

Quite a number of telegrams also came from outside the country, from individuals and Islamic associations in Jordan, Lebanon

and Egypt.

Many cables came from commanders military units in the armed forces condemning "the heinous crime committed against Islam" in the attack on Haram and expressing solidarity with the King and his government.

Meanwhile, the Saudi press Friday continued to comment editorially on the incident and strongly condemn the attackers who deviated from the Islamic path. Newspapers also upheld and praised the conduct of the security forces acting on the instructions of King Khaled to safeguard the hostages minimize casualties and capture the criminals.

The newspapers Al-Jazeerah said that the recent happenings were "a test of our ability to meet problems and mishaps and overcome them." Fortunately we have succeeded, the paper said "through our unity and adherence to our religion. By uniting the leadership and the people this country has ward off dangers and come out of the Haram incident with a big Islamic victory."

In the speech marking a day of solidarity with the Palestinians, the radical Libyan leader added: "Arab oil would be worthless if it feeds the enemy and its allies and is used to fuel for their planes which bomb the Palestinian camps."

In an apparent reference to the Sinai oil fields that Egypt recently regained from Israel, he said: "If this oil is not used in the interest of the Palestinian cause, to destroy the enemies and deter their allies, it should also be destroyed."

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Qaddafi wants Suez Canal, Sinai oil fields destroyed

BEIRUT, Nov. 30 (IR) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi has urged Palestinian commandos to destroy the Suez Canal and Egyptian oil fields that are used to supply Israel. Addressing a mass rally in the Libyan capital of Tripoli Thursday night, he also said the Palestinians should attack Israel from all Arab fronts, including conservative Saudi Arabia.

The Libyan News Agency Jana Friday quoted Col. Qaddafi as saying: "The Suez Canal must be destroyed because under Sadat, it has become lifeline for the enemy."

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Israeli policy on West Bank hinders peace talks--Sadat

CAIRO, Nov. 30 (Agencies) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has said that Israeli moves to expel elected mayors and other policies in occupied Arab areas were hampering Middle East peace negotiations.

In an address to mark a day of solidarity with the Palestinian people Thursday, President Sadat said Egypt had never given up its policy of defending the Palestinian people's rights and liberating Arab territories.

"We are not maneuvering but our policy is clear. I. We declare from this forum or the United Nations forum the Palestinian people must be granted the right of self-determination in order to achieve a permanent peace in the region," Sadat said in the address read by presidential court chief Hassan Kamel.

Boutros Ghali, minister of state for foreign affairs, said in a solidarity speech that Jewish settlements on the occupied West Bank should be dismantled. Ghali said Palestinians in the



President Sadat

area should be given extensive autonomy as a first step to self-determination.

The Palestinian authority should have full control over public land, water resources and utilities on the West Bank and Gaza, he said.

Ghali said the West Bank should include Arab East Jerusalem.

On new constitution

Kurds urged to boycott Iran's polls

TEHRAN, Nov. 30 (R) — Iran's Kurdish leaders urged their followers Friday to boycott the referendum on Iran's new constitution due to be held this weekend.

A joint statement by several Kurdish parties telephoned to Reuters in Tehran said: "Until there is a definite solution to the Kurdish problem, there is no possibility of Kurds taking part in the referendum which will be held on Sunday and Monday."

To protest Pope's visit

Blasts hit Istanbul banks

ISTANBUL, Nov. 30 (AP) — Nine Istanbul bank offices were hit by dynamite blasts overnight in what was believed to be a protest against the visit by Pope Paul II to Turkey, police said Friday.

Police said the blasts shattered windows, destroyed furniture and inflicted structural damage in at least six bank branches.

No one appeared to have been injured by the explosions which occurred shortly after midnight.

A Muslim group called the Turkish Islamic Union claimed responsibility for the blasts and acknowledged they were in pro-

Earlier Ghali said he hoped the dispute between the United States and Iran would be solved peacefully so that America could concentrate on Palestinian autonomy.

Meanwhile, the semi-official daily *Al-Ahram* reported Friday that President Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin may meet in Aswan, Upper Egypt, on Dec. 11 in an attempt to revive the stalled autonomy negotiations.

Egypt, Israel and the United States have made little progress since the autonomy negotiations started last May. Egypt is seeking wide powers for an elected autonomous council to represent 1.2 million Palestinians on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Israel is offering the Palestinians more limited control of daily affairs.

Al-Ahram said the next formal round of negotiations, to be attended by Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil and Minister Ghali, would be held on Dec. 13, but did not say where.

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Bruno Kreisky

Kreisky sees isolation of Israel if PLO not recognized

BONN, Nov. 30 (R) — Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky has said Israel's refusal to recognize the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) could isolate the Jewish state from the rest of the world.

"I think that Israel's inflexible position toward the PLO is bound to lead to a lack of understanding among the European states and thus bring the country into isolation," he said in an interview with the West German newspaper *Die Welt* Thursday.

Kreisky said the PLO was the representative of the Palestinian people and this was not contested anywhere in the Arab world.

Asked why his years of mediating efforts had not persuaded PLO chairman Yasser Arafat to change the PLO charter calling for the destruction of Israel, the chancellor replied:

"One cannot demand from a movement of the persecuted ... that it make a first gesture when the other side is not in the least prepared to recognize the national rights of the Palestinians."

Another senior religious chief, Ayatollah Khomeini, the country's revolutionary leader, has urged all Iranians to vote "yes" to the constitution, giving religious leaders sweeping powers. He said the vote was a religious duty for all believers.

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ON Nov. 30 (AP) — German clubs continued aphantom match in the cup Wednesday night. Five took first leg leads and poised to dominate the finals after the third round. The legs are played in two.

Russia Moenchengladbach, bolder, beat its Romanian st. Universita Crisova 2-0 and Bayern Munich repeated the score against the Yugoslavs of Red Star, beaten finalists last year.

The three other West German clubs had even more cause to be

pleased. Two of them, Kaiserslautern and Stuttgart, took 2-0 away leg leads in Hungary and Switzerland respectively while the third, Eintracht Frankfurt, beat the Dutch club Feyenoord Rotterdam 4-1.

Both goals at Moenchengladbach had an element of doubt and Scottish referee David Syme talked to a linesman before confirming the score. First the Romans seemed to think that the ball had crossed the line before swinging back into play for Harald Nickele to hammer in.

Results of Scottish Games.

Scottish Premier Division

Patrick Thistle 1 Dundee United

(Postponed from Nov. 24) Scottish Division One

Hamilton 3 Clyde

(postponed from Nov. 17) Scottish Division Two

East Stirlings 2 Forfar

(postponed from Nov. 17) Queens Park 1 Cowdenbeath 1

(brought forward from Dec. 1).

Dolphins take AFC East lead

MIAMI, Florida Nov. 30 (AP) — Bob Griese, responding to his coach's halftime alarm, quartered the Miami football team to two touchdowns in the third period Thursday night to give the Dolphins a 39-24 victory over New England and first place in the American Conference East. Griese had been benched for a second successive game in favor of 28-year-old Don Strock.



Sydney Morning Herald

BOWLED: Gordon Greenidge of the West Indies is bowled by Dennis Lillee for five during the Australia game at the Sydney Cricket Ground earlier this week.

Portland beaten

Kansas City win boosts morale

PONTIAC, Michigan Nov. 30 (AP) — Cotton Fitzsimmons, coach of the Kansas City Kings, says he believes his team is ready to become a championship contender in the National Basketball Association.

"We've always been a good team, even when we were losing six straight earlier," Fitzsimmons said after their 105-95 victory over the Detroit Pistons Thursday night.

Against the Pistons, Fitzsimmons said, "our defense and our defensive rebounding were the deciding factors down the stretch."

"Our guys dived for the ball, played the defense and got the ball to the open man, especially when we had to. You can be assured of one thing: we'll be a factor in the divisional race and the playoffs."

Scott Wedman scored 22 points and Bill Robinzine added 20 to lead the Kings. The victory was Kansas City's eighth in the last 10 games.

In the other NBA game Thursday night, the Cleveland Cavaliers trimmed the New York Knicks 117-115. Cleveland squandered a nine-point lead in the closing 5:38 but beat New York when Randy Smith barely beat the final buzzer with a layup.

The Knicks went on a 15-4 spree to take a 115-113 lead with 1:09 left, but Footh Walker tied it with a pair of free throws. Cleveland got the ball back when Mike Mitchell took the rebound of an off-balance shot by New York's Ray Williams and sent the ball to Smith for the winning points.

Wednesday night, the Atlanta Hawks beat the Portland Trailblazers 106-99.

Charlie Criss, one of the NBA's smallest players at 5-foot-8, scored 12 points for the Hawks coming off the bench.

"Charlie has some good skills," said Portland coach Jack Ramsay. Criss seconds the motion: "I

think I have the ability to score and I'm glad I have the chance to go out and play that second guard."

The Hawks improved their Central Division-leading record to 15-10 with the victory.

Elsewhere in the NBA, Philadelphia defeated Washington 120-102, New Jersey trimmed Detroit 98-89; Boston turned back Denver 119-97; Milwaukee whipped Indiana 87-79; Houston edged Cleveland 113-111; San Diego topped Golden State 114-108 and Seattle beat Phoenix 127-116.

Julius Erving scored 21 points to lead Philadelphia over Washington for the 76ers' fourth straight victory. Philadelphia got strong support from the bench as Steve Mix, Bobby Jones, Henry Bibby and Jim Spanarkel sparked a fourth-quarter drive that sent the 76ers ahead by as much as 27 points.

The Bullets' Roger Phegley led all scorers with 22 points. Greg Ballard and Mitch Kupchak both scored 20 for Washington.

Mike Newlin rebounded from a cold shooting first half to score eight key points in the final quarter, leading New Jersey over Detroit. The Nets, who led by as many as 17 points in the second half, saw their advantage shrink to five as Detroit's Rob Lanier scored 23 of his game-high 29 points.

Larry Bird scored 29 points and

U.S. signs Taipei accord

TAIPEI, Nov. 30 (API) — The United States defended Nationalist China's right to participate in the Olympic Games under a sports cooperation agreement signed between the Olympic Committees of the United States and Taipei here Friday.

The agreement, signed by U.S. Olympic Committee president

Chris Ford tied an NBA record by hitting on five three-point field goals as Boston whipped Denver 119-97; Milwaukee whipped Indiana 87-79; Houston edged Cleveland 113-111; San Diego topped Golden State 114-108 and Seattle beat Phoenix 127-116.

Despite his defeat, the American player showed himself in top condition and fit for the forthcoming Davis Cup finals between the

United States and Italy in San Francisco. Before that, McEnroe was to play a tournament in Frankfurt.

In earlier matches of the competition, Guillermo Vilas of Argentina downed Italy's Davis Cup star Adriano Panatta.

Vitas Gerulaitis of the United States made short work of his fellow countrymen Peter Fleming 6-1, 6-1, in 42 minutes, to place fifth in the tournament, pitting in the finals the winners of two round-robin groups.

Tommy Aaron of the United States and Jan Sonneveld of Sweden.

They were followed at 67 by

Americans Arnold Palmer and

Dave Hill and Britons Federico

German and Malcolm Gregson.

The Brazilian Open is Morgan's

first tournament in the South

American circuit. He dropped out

of the first two tournaments in

Argentina and Chile.

The second round was to be

played Friday by the full field of

95 professionals and 37 amateurs.

For the final round Sunday only

the top 40 classifying pros will

play, together with the amateurs

who score equal to or better than

the No. 40 classifier.

Injured knee

Lloyd out of first Aussie Test

BRISBANE, Nov. 30 (AP) — Hard hitting West Indies captain Clive Lloyd is out of the Test against Australia starting at the Brisbane Cricket Ground on Saturday.

Tour manager Willie Rodriguez said Friday Lloyd had undergone an exploratory operation on his injured right knee in Sydney and was not expected in Brisbane for several days.

Experienced Deryck Murray will lead the Windies but Rodriguez said the test line-up would not be named until later.

Also a worry is the nagging groin injury to Vivian Richards, described by Australian captain Greg Chappel as the best batsman in the world.

Rodriguez was to undergo examination and Rodriguez indicated he may have until just before the Test starts to declare his fitness.

"Despite the spate of injuries and two losses in the one day of games in Sydney earlier this week, I would say the morale of the team is very high," Rodriguez said. "The main object of our visit here is to defeat Australia in Test."

Australia, meanwhile, is planning to take a punt on Jeff Thomson, who recently sprained his ankle, lasting the distance and is expected to make Geoff Dymock twelfth man.

Thomson bowled freely at the

nets and was not worried by the ankle, but he has some other doubts.

"I've got a lot of work to do to catch up, that's for sure," Thomson said.

"I'm usually a pretty confident bloke, but after a two week lay-off ... I don't know."

Thomson could well be used

After early tries

All Blacks beat Italians

ROVIGO, Italy, Nov. 30 (R) — Early tries by Murray Mexted and Bernie Fraser set the New Zealand All Blacks on their way to a win over Italy on their rugby union tour.

Mexted's opening score in the fourth minute was converted Ian Hewson. Fraser stretched the All Blacks lead with a try in the 11th

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A DANGEROUS DRIFT

What if war was to break out in the Gulf tomorrow? The question is certainly not asked in the spirit of alarm-spreading or dramatization of a situation already too alarming and too dramatically charged. While both sides in the worsening Iranian-American crisis realize the dangers of an armed conflict in an area as economically and strategically vital as the Gulf, there is no way to ascertain that the pressures will not build up to an extent which will make them uncontrollable. The powder keg is there; and matches are being waved about.

The question is asked in realization that no third party is at the moment capable of influencing either the American or the Iranian courses of action. The Arab countries around the Gulf, and behind them, given the Gulf's importance, the Arab world as a whole, cannot afford to ignore the possibility of an explosion, however remote it might still seem. Events are drifting beyond everybody's control, and this means that all eventualities have to be faced.

The question is somewhat ironic, for the answer is not hard to guess. It is, sad to say, the usual draw blank, the usual faith in the spur of the moment reaction to events rather than the prior planning for their containment as they arise, should they arise. This is not surprising, in this case of a possible confrontation between third parties in which the Arabs will only be indirectly involved. For our own wars, the perennial wars with Zionism, have not yet taught us to take more than a spectator's stand towards events.

Responsible governments everywhere hope for peace but plan as if war was inevitable. The question is not merely military, it involves preparations on the military, economic and political levels. In an area as dangerous as ours, responsible governments ought to be doubly prepared. There has already been enough talk of sides working to "redraw the area's maps," of threats overt and covert to the security of the Gulf and to its resources. We have been already more than adequately warned.

Yet we still have to be careful to add the required note of irony when we ask: what if war was to break out tomorrow?

saudi press review

Weekend newspapers mostly end with Crown Prince Fahd's message to the United Nations on the World Day for Solidarity with the people of Palestine, in which he outlined Saudi Arabia's firm stance on Palestine and a just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East. In a lead story, *Al-Jazirah* reported that Muslims performed the noon prayer at the Holy Mosque in Mecca Thursday, while *Al-Riyadh* said that King Fahd was still receiving cables of condemnation against the assault of the Grand Mosque by the aviationist group.

Newspapers gave front-page prominence to Saudi Arabia's concern at the United Nations about the deteriorating situation in the Middle East. The Kingdom's representative at the United Nations, Samir Shehabi, as reported to have held Israel and its supporters responsible for the worsening situation.

Washington's request to the International Court of Justice at The Hague to intervene in the case

of U.S. hostages at the U.S. embassy in Iran and President Jimmy Carter's threat to Iran in case the hostages were harmed received front page treatment. Newspapers also covered on their front pages the International Conference on the life of the Holy Prophet being held in Doha, which was reported to have declared that Palestine was an Islamic issue.

Newspapers continued to express their condemnation of the crime of the deviators against the Meccan Grand Mosque, praising the efforts of the Kingdom's leadership in successfully curbing the trouble created by the heretics. *Al-Jazirah* said in an editorial that what happened at the Holy Haram was quite a serious incident, a bitter experience and a real test of "our ability to overcome ordeals of great magnitude." It added that "by our solidarity and adherence to the faith, we overcame the difficulty, while the nature of cohesion that exists between the people and the leader-

ship enabled us to push away the danger and to turn the incident into a big triumph for Islam."

The paper said that "the incident has given ample proof that Islam will remain unharmed and that the spark of faith in God and His Prophet, which may sometimes appear dormant to others, burns out into a volcanic lava." The wave of condemnation throughout the Islamic world has already proved this fact, it said.

Al-Riyadh described the incident of the Holy Haram as an act of "new paganism", quite different from the activities of those who had lived before the advent of Islam. The difference is clear, for the pagans of the pre-Islamic period battled with the Muslims from their standpoint of an infidel. But, the paper said, this gang took refuge in the name of God to revolt against the Creator Himself.

"Muslims will have to define their attitude toward this brand of people to keep the Holy Haram a

peaceful and awe-inspiring place for the believers," it said.

Okaz denounced the incident, saying that the deviators from Islam had "committed the shameful crime of attacking the holiest place on earth at a time when Muslims were in desperate need for unity and were making ceaseless efforts to take a unified stand against the conspiracies being hatched against Islam. The paper lauded the support of the Islamic world for Saudi Arabia's action vis-a-vis the crime of the heretics, and said "the unanimous support of the Islamic world has made it clear that the Islamic nation is fully aware of the importance of its faith and unified stance."

"There should be no doubt now in view of the Muslims' condemnation of the attack on the Grand Mosque that they have a full sense of their historic responsibility toward the defense of their faith from all plots and machinations of the Zionists and the enemies of Islam," the paper said. "Muslim unity and solidarity at this stage is

a vital necessity to protect the faith and to be able to confront challenges from whatever quarter they may come," it added.

In an editorial on Palestine and the international support for the cause of the people of Palestine, *Al-Bilad* said this support proved the triumph of right over wrong. The world conscience has begun to rise against wrong and injustice, and "that makes us optimistic about the future of the Palestine cause."

"Although the struggle of the people of Palestine has been a basic factor in bringing about this change in the international thinking, Saudi Arabia's unstinted support has also been instrumental in moulding the world public opinion in favor of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people," the paper said. "Saudi Arabia's participation with other forces of the world in expressing solidarity with the people of Palestine represents part of its obligation toward the issue," it said.

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Cracks appear in Ceausescu's facade

By Colin McIntyre

BUCHAREST — Romania is showing signs of serious economic problems that could undermine its strongly nationalist and independent stance within the Soviet bloc.

The architect of Romanian independence, 61-year-old President Nicolae Ceausescu has been reelected to a fourth five-year term as Communist Party leader.

He took the opportunity at the 12th party congress to reaffirm policies that have put him at odds with the Kremlin on such major issues as the Middle East, Indochina and increased military spending in the bloc's Warsaw Pact. He said the country's new five-year plan would ensure "the continuous growth of the force of our homeland, the strengthening of the national independence and sovereignty of socialist Romania."

His even-handed policy between the world's two rival Communist giants was illustrated by the presence at the 12th Party Congress of delegates from both the Soviet Union and China.

Romania would like a secure economic base to underpin its maverick policy, but it does have problems. It is facing an energy squeeze and its ambitious plans for industrial expansion have been affected by slowdown in the West.

Romania used to be self-sufficient in oil but now it imports over half its needs. It took nearly 50 per cent of this from Iran, until the revolution there disrupted supplies.

Since then it has approached various countries, including Libya, Mexico, Iraq and Nigeria for long-term contracts to avoid paying high prices on the spot market.

Romania is currently receiving around three million tons a year from Libya, but Bucharest's policy of maintaining diplomatic relations with Israel and its cautious approval of the Israeli-Egyptian peace agreement attacked by Tripoli and other Arab states could affect these Western diplomats negatively.

According to these diplomats, Romania earlier this year negotiated to import oil from the Soviet Union for the first time. The agreement calls for 350,000 tons to arrive here in the last quarter of this year and there was talk of one million next year, they said.

While these figures are still small there is speculation that Bucharest may feel it needs to buy increasingly large amounts of Soviet oil, for which it might have to pay a political price as well.

The working week is still a minimum 46 hours,

and will drop to 44 only after five years under the new plan.

While there are few obvious signs of resentment in a state where uniformed and plain-clothes police are much in evidence, Romanians are leaving the country in increasing numbers.

They make up one of the largest contingents at the Transylvanian refugee camp in Austria, numbering some 800 at present, while around 40,000 ethnic Germans a year are leaving for West Germany under a government agreement.

A number of Western embassies have visa applications from Romanians wanting to emigrate, hoping that by the act of applying they will be regarded as troublemakers by the Bucharest authorities and allowed to leave.

There was also an extraordinary incident on the last day of the congress when an 84-year-old former politburo member, Constantine Pivulescu, attacked Ceausescu publicly, accusing him of putting personal interests before those of the country and ignoring the real problems.

The president retorted angrily by accusing Pivulescu indirectly of being a Soviet agent and of shirking military service during World War II. Officials suggested privately to correspondents that he was senile.

Although the president said the former official had been dropped from all leading party organs in 1960 because of incompetence and intrigues, he actually was elected to the central auditing commission in 1974.

Pivulescu was one of the founding members of the Romanian Communist Party, and the last survivor of the original World War II leadership.

He played a leading part in an internal party campaign during the 1950s which led to the purging of Romania's pro-Soviet Foreign Minister Anna Pauker.

The question people are asking themselves is whether the incident, which was not reported in the Romanian domestic press, was an isolated outburst by an angry old man or the tip of an iceberg of discontent.

On the official level Ceausescu is revered. A resolution passed by the congress called him among other things "most beloved son of the people, a brilliant leader and remarkable revolutionary, a highly prestigious and authoritative personality of present-day political life."

The language of overkill

By Ian Mather

LONDON — ABM. Anti-Ballistic Missile. Shoots down attacking missiles. Moscow is said to be ringed by 64 groups of such missiles, called Galosh. The Moscow ABM system has Dog House, Hen House and Cat House early warning radar systems.

These are NATO code names. There are over 500 such names for Russian weapons, some of them none too flattering: a few are included below.

Backfire. NATO code-name for new Russian bomber, the Tupolev TU 22M. Range of 2,400 miles so capable of hitting Western Europe from Russian bases. Seen as a new threat to the West.

Big Nose. NATO name for Russian airborne radar system.

CEP. Circular Error Probability. A measurement of accuracy — the radius of a circle centred on a target within which 50 per cent of warheads aimed at the target will fall. The most modern American ICBM (see below) is accurate to 350 meters over a range of 8,000 miles.

Cruise Missile. Pilotless aircraft with nuclear warhead programmed to follow a designated course by reference to contours of land below. Can fly as low as 50 to 100 meters so dodging radar defences. Due to be deployed by the West in early 1980s with range of up to about 1,500 miles. Can be ground-launched (GLCMs, known as Glickums), launched from aircraft (ALCMs) or launched from submarines (SLCMs).

Dog House. NATO name for very large Russian radar defense system.

Flogger. NATO name for Russian fighter aircraft, the MiG-23.

Forward Based Systems. U.S. attack aircraft based in Europe or on aircraft carriers, which carry nuclear weapons and can reach Russia. They are mainly F-111s based in Britain; F-4s in Turkey, North Italy and West Germany; and A-6 and A-7s on aircraft carriers in the Mediterranean.

Foxbat. Latest Russian MiG-23 interceptor aircraft.

ICBM. Intercontinental Ballistic Missile. Missile with range of over 4,000 miles. The U.S. has 1,054, Russia has 1,398. Will be limited by SALT (see below).

IRBM. Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile, in the 1,500 to 4,000-mile range.

MAD. Mutual Assured Destruction. Doctrine of deterrence first formulated in 1955. Means that neither nuclear superpower can risk a direct attack on the other because of the fear of instant devastation in return.

MBFR. Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction. Negotiations in Vienna between NATO and the Warsaw Pact to reduce conventional forces in Europe. Started in 1973 and stalled most of the time over disagreement about current Warsaw Pact total troops.

MIRV. Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicle. Permits missiles to be loaded with more than one nuclear warhead each of which can be homed on to a different target.

MRCA. Multi-Role Combat Aircraft, the Tornado, being built by Britain, Germany and France.

MX missile. New ICBM ordered by President Carter. Will be moved around, making detection more difficult than with present ICBMs, which are fixed sites.

Neutron Bomb. Nuclear weapons designed to compensate for Warsaw Pact tank superiority in Europe. Kills people by radiation, even inside armored vehicles, but leaves buildings, etc., intact.

Russian protests caused Carter to modify his original plan for the weapon. He will continue with development and production but not deployment.

Pot Head. NATO name for Russian naval research radar.

Polaris. U.S. manufactured missile capable of carrying a nuclear warhead and fitted into a submarine. Britain's "independent" nuclear deterrent consists of four submarines, each carrying 16 Polaris A-3 missiles. Each missile has three warheads. Britain made the submarines and the warheads, but bought the missiles.

QRA. Quick Reaction Alert. Aircraft kept at the ready at all times to react within the famous (or infamous) four-minute warning period.

SACEUR. Supreme Allied Commander Europe, the military head of NATO; currently the American General Bernard W. Rogers.

SALT II. Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty. Signed by Brezhnev and Carter in Vienna on 18 June. Ratification now being debated by U.S. Senate. Runs until 31 December 1985.

Scrubber. NATO name for Russian naval anti-shipping missile.

SLBM. Submarine Launched Ballistic Missile. Besides Polaris, the US has Poseidon and, most recently, Trident. The Russians have SS-B7 and SS-N18.

SRBM. Short Range Ballistic Missile. NATO has Lance, Pershing One and Honest John. The Russians have SS-1B ("Scud A"), SS-1C ("Scud B"), SS-12 ("Scudboard") and FROG 1 to 7. Ranges

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Jeddah Open champion**Khalid Fityani, homegrown tennis star**

By Shirley Chu Mitschke

JEDDAH — In the world of tennis, the best are predominantly from the United States. Sweden, Argentina and Paraguay are in the news through Bjorn Borg, Guillermo Vilas and Victor Pecci, and in the past, France, England and Australia have had their share of the limelight. Last week, on Nov. 23, we saw our own star, Khalid Fityani, eclipse every other tennis player in Jeddah by winning the men's singles in the Jeddah Open.

A Saudi to watch, Khalid Fityani is a king of tennis.

Ninety-six people played in this year's Jeddah Open. Tennis players of different nationalities, from different walks of life, attached to various companies and working on different projects across Saudi Arabia, signed up and when the long list was finally ready for the 18th of November, the first round to mark the start of the Jeddah Open was played at noon by Khalid and his opponent. The first player to play and win his first round, Khalid's impressive scores were 6-2, 6-0, in the best of two sets. Tennis enthusiasts who know the two participants are aware that Khalid had a worthy opponent in Stephenson. Onlookers who thought that Khalid had a lucky day in his first match, could harbor no further doubts about his superiority when he was the last player to leave the court, with the trophy.

Before reaching the finals, Khalid played and won 6 matches. In none of these rounds did he give away a single set to his opponents. In one of his matches, the situation appeared critical for Khalid when he fell back by 3-0 while playing against opponent Proctor. However, four games were the maximum that Khalid lost in this match which ended in two sets: 6-4, 6-0.

In the first set of the semi-finals, Mike Evans was leading with two games ahead but subsequently lost the first and second set to Khalid.

The Jeddah Open stretched on to the end of the second week. Its highlight was the men's singles with Khalid Fityani facing Eric Madison. Large crowds flocked to Rayville and Court One was literally surrounded by tennis enthusiasts and fans who have come out to watch "the best tennis in Saudi Arabia" as it was billed.

The finals match was all the more exciting and interesting because both Khalid and his opponent are steady players. Eric started playing tennis at the age of 14 and has been very active player in this game in the United States.

Eric's baseline shot with a high lob as the latter rushed to the net and the ball landed behind him. Khalid had some problem with his service and double faulted in the third game. This time the crowd was cheering for Eric as he executed a tricky half-volley. Eric was in control of the situation and put away every ball with his well-developed forehand. Khalid made a spectacular point-winning ace, followed by a double fault, hit a series of balls into the net and made yet another double fault and lost the game finally with a half-volley at the net.

that he had been feeding too many balls in that direction in the second set. Eric had some moments of brilliant tennis when he put away a high ball and when he did get a chance to hit out with his forehand. After a long rally Khalid ended the game by disguising a drop shot to Eric's backhand. Eric hit the ball into the net but retaliated by slicing the ball in the next volley, and was successful. Khalid's reply was a nice flat ball with no bounce, which won him his game. Khalid won the third and fourth sets: 6-2, 6-1.

Khalid, 24, is well known to members of the Dunes Club in Jeddah where he is ranked number one on the men's singles ladder and, with his uncle Hassan Dajani, helps make up the best men's doubles team.

Khalid was born in Jeddah and started tennis at the age of 13. The man who gave him his initial training was Abu Bakr van der Schyef. According to Khalid, van der Schyef, who is also well known at the club, is an excellent tennis player with very good form.

A few months after he started playing tennis Khalid was in Cairo on vacation and entered the under-14 division of a tennis tournament. He won the single's title.

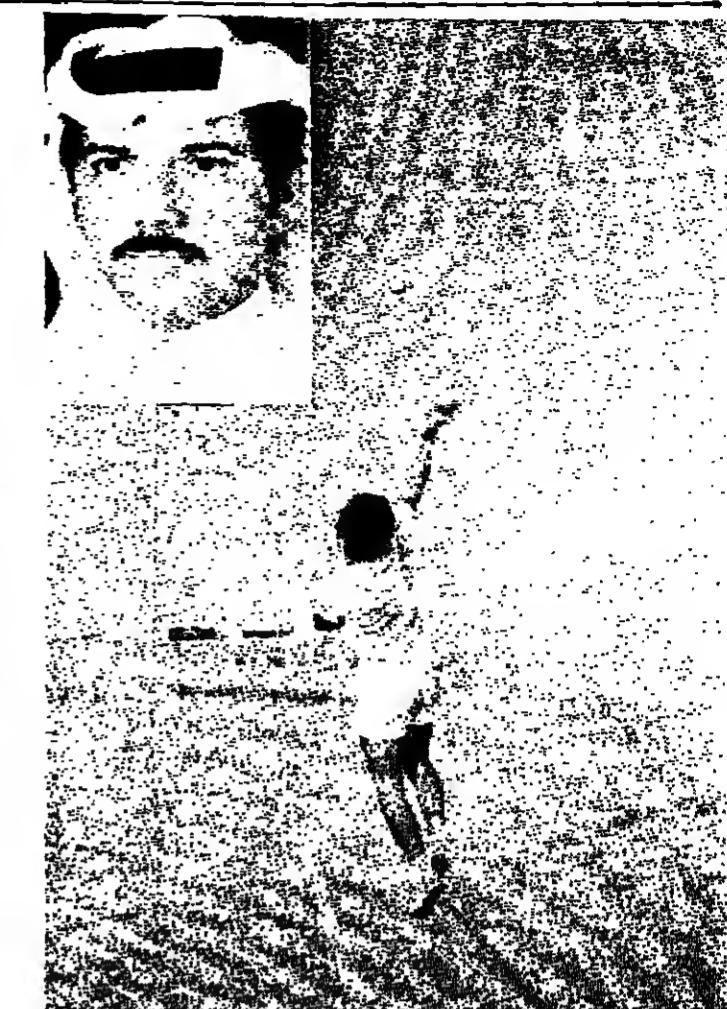
Khalid is an all-round athlete and excels in football, swimming, volleyball and table tennis. He not only played well in his schools here but featured prominently during his university days in Texas. In 1974, Khalid won the singles and doubles titles at the MacGregor Tennis Association. Two weeks later he reached the final in the Eastern Open in Houston.

At one time, tennis spectators who were accustomed to seeing Khalid catch up on his opponent thought he could still succeed, but he narrowly missed a volley and had to concede the only set he ever gave away in the entire 2 weeks. Eric won 6-3 in the second set.

In the first set, Khalid scored heavily through his powerful first service. His aces were impressive and in the second and third game helped him win the set 6-2.

Madison caught up in the second set despite his double fault early in the game. There was a particularly long rally during which Eric hit some deadly accurate baseline shots. In the second game of this set, Khalid returned

After the first three games it was obvious that Khalid was serious. Not only did he intimidate his opponent with his cannon-ball service, but he forced Eric to make errors by relentlessly placing difficult shots to his backhand. Khalid also seemed to be avoiding Eric's lethal forehand, realizing



Khalid Fityani

Khalid's favorite player is Argentin's Guillermo Vilas. "I'm impressed by his classical style in the game and by his good-natured character as a person."

Khalid feels the quality of tennis is improving in Jeddah and hopes for more opportunities such as the Jeddah Open to experience a wide variety of styles and strategies.

"Consistency," Khalid says, "is the name of the game." "Practice, practice and practice," is his advice to young players. "Hitting against the wall and getting confident with both forehand and backhand proved to be invaluable to me when I first started to play the game. However, it is very important for beginners to have their mistakes corrected at an early stage. Once the player develops a bad habit or wrong style he becomes an easy prey for an experienced player who can put him off balance by a number of shots."

Although the Jeddah Open is over, Khalid will still be defending his rank as the club's best player. He accepts all challenges but potential opponents may not find encouragement in the fact that Khalid prefers to play in the hot afternoon.

"I almost never reveal my strategy to my opponent but subtly surprise him at his weakest, towards the very end."

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U.K. bid for EEC budget rebate faces defeat at Dublin meeting

DUBLIN, Nov. 30 (R) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher faced almost certain defeat at the European Common Market summit Friday in her attempt to win a \$ 2.2 billion budget rebate.

The virtual lack of progress threw the nine-nation community into its most serious crisis since Britain joined in 1973.

British officials would not say how the government will react but, earlier they said if there is no solution to Britain's problem in Dublin this would make life difficult for the community.

In a decidedly chilly atmosphere at the leaders' dinner Thursday night, Mrs. Thatcher told West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt that he was misinformed when he accused Britain of putting up its North Sea oil



Mrs. Thatcher

prices ahead of OPEC countries. A British official said the West Germans "do not know what they are talking about," and Mrs. Thatcher made sure she was very fully briefed on oil.

The conference got nowhere on

Finns mark anniversary of '39 war with Soviets

HELSINKI, Nov. 30, (R) — Finland Friday commemorated the 40th anniversary of the outbreak of its winter war with the Soviet Union, amid signs that time has healed many old wounds.

The day seemed certain to pass quietly, with memories expressed only by an occasional bunch of flowers or a lighted candle on the graves of those who died in the conflict.

At daybreak Nov. 30, 1939, the late Soviet dictator Josef Stalin hurled his armies at Finland along a 1,100-kilometer front stretching from the Karelian Isthmus to Leningrad in the south of the Barents Sea in the north. Stalin was apparently convinced that the Russians would rapidly overrun the country.

Three months later the Russians had a million men in the field, backed by 1,000 aircraft and 2,000 tanks, pitted against a Finnish defense with half the number

of troops and plagued by a shortage of equipment.

The Finns joined forces with one of the most savage winters in memory to maul the invaders. Soviet losses have been estimated at between 300,000 and one million dead.

The 105-day conflict cost Finland about 25,000 dead and 45,000 wounded.

Madrid passes autonomy statutes

MADRID, Nov. 30 (AP) — The Spanish Lower House of parliament has ratified home rule statutes for the Basque country and Catalonia, which were both previously approved in a referendum in the two regions last Oct. 25.

The vote Thursday was 298-8 and 11 abstentions for the Basque statute and 303-1 with 13 abstentions for the Catalan.

Home rule for the two regions

would give local authorities a bigger share of their tax contributions to the Madrid government plus limited control over education, health, courts and police.

The three-province Basque region with 2.5 million inhabitants and four-province Catalonia with 5 million inhabitants enjoyed autonomy in the past but it was taken away from both regions by Gen. Francisco Franco after the 1936-39 Spanish civil war.

But, he added, "the real advan-

ce is that the most of a bad job Friday. One of them said 'we are wearing away at intransigence it is going to take a long time.'

This was in marked contrast with the determination expressed at the start of the conference to get an acceptable settlement during the two days in Dublin.

A measure of the failure to make any progress was that the leaders retired in the early hours without even instructing officials to draft a document on the budget issue.

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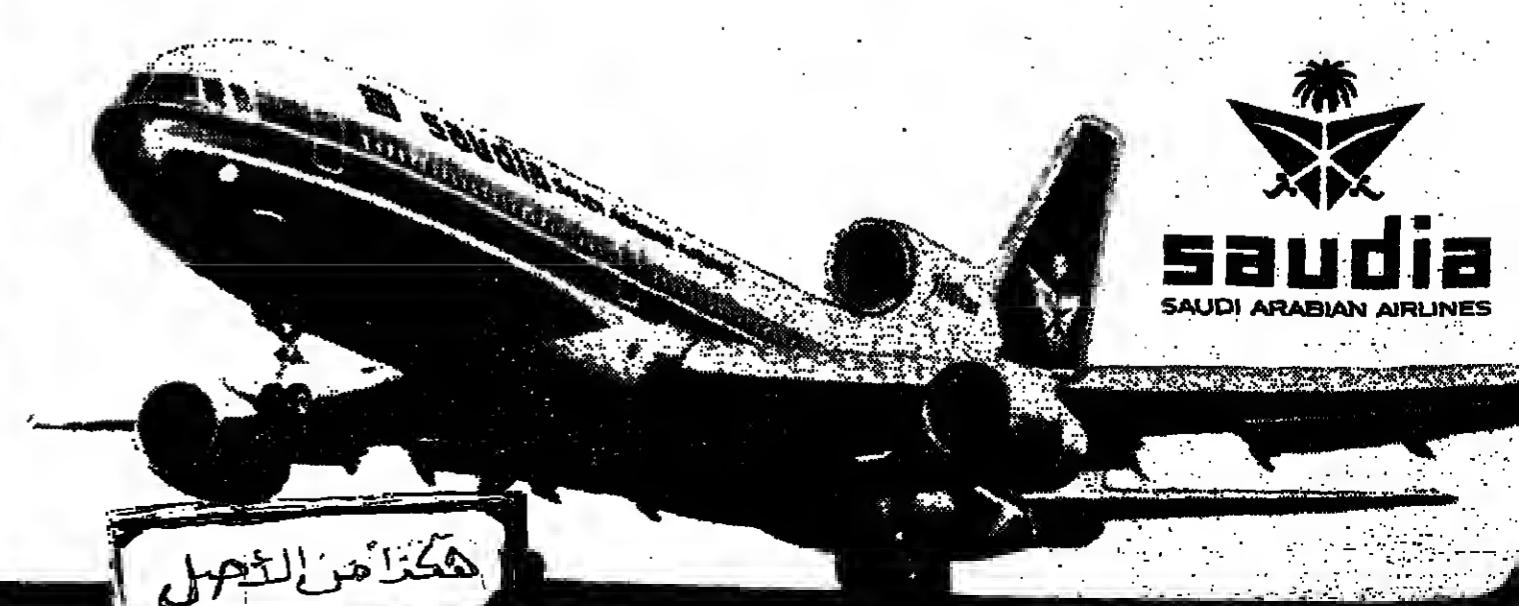
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Growing Cambodian anti-Vietnam feeling may escalate conflict

BANGKOK, Nov. 30 (AP) — Anti-communist "Khmer" groups claim the nearly year-old Vietnamese presence in Cambodia is causing growing resentment which could set off yet another cycle of violence in a country already tortured by war, famine and disease. Western analysts and recent visitors to that country say.

Vietnamese forces, having scored successes against the guerrillas of ousted Premier Pol Pot, show no signs of abiding by a recent United Nations resolution calling for the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Cambodia.

Besides an estimated 200,000 soldiers, there are Vietnamese advisers in both Phnom Penh and the countryside, possibly down to the escort level. Everyone from the bartender of the capital's "Samaki" hotel to the guide at the former royal palace is from Vietnam and more arrive to perform "national duty" tours.

A number of the refugees claim the Vietnamese as Saviors from the horrors of Pol Pot. But now they want them to leave and don't see them doing it. In fact, they see more coming in," said one aid official who recently returned from Phnom Penh.

Although still sketchy, there are reports of scattered resistance that does not seem to be led by the Pol Pot guerrillas.



WAIT FOR EVACUATION: Cambodians sit in the shade at a temporary camp in Thailand as they wait for a transfer to another safer camp Monday. As thousands of Cambodians flee their country every day, the war and famine that have forced them out may now be aggravated by a strong anti-Vietnam sentiment that is reportedly growing in their country.

Benefits seen down the road

Global weather study concluded

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP) — The most massive study of the earth's weather in history is winding up, and scientists from 47 nations now turn their attention to

studying what they found and learning ways to use this new information.

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Jacqueline Onassis leaves her mother's farm, Hammersmith in Newport, after the former Mrs. Hugh Auchincloss married J. Bingham Orris last month.

Sen. Kennedy has entered the race for the presidency. To win, he must unseat an incumbent president from his own party. It promises to be a bitter campaign.



The brothers Kennedy, John, Robert and Edward

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Sen. Kennedy, his wife Joan and son Patrick prepare to leave Hyannis Harbor aboard Kennedy's 26-foot sloop "Victura" on Thanksgiving Day.



Sen. Edward Kennedy on the campaign trail in Miami Beach told a group of old people he favors early retirement for President Carter.

After Iran-related rumors Dollar slips sharply on currency markets

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Agencies) — Mexico's decision not to let the Shah of Iran return from New York City, and the rumor — later denied — that an American hostage had been shot in Iran sent a chill through world finance markets Friday.

The dollar slumped to its second lowest fixing in history against the West German mark, and fell 1 1/2 cents against the British pound. It also dropped in Italy and France.

Gold prices initially leaped by \$5 to \$7 an ounce but later subsided. The metal usually does well when fear of political or economic upheaval rips the market.

"We got the feeling things were coming to a climax," one broker at a large Frankfurt bank said, referring to rumors that the students holding some 50 Americans hostage at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran had begun shooting in Tehran had begun shooting in Tehran.

The rumors spread from Far East markets early Friday morning. By mid-afternoon in Europe the dollar was worth:

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 6:00 P.M. THURSDAY			
	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.37	3.38	3.38
Pound Sterling	7.36	7.35	7.34
Deutsche Mark (100)	194.00	193.50	193.75
Swiss Fr (100)	208.00	206.00	206.25
French F (100)	82.00	82.50	82.50
Italian Lira (10,000)	41.00	41.25	41.40
Lebanese Lira (100)	99.00	98.65	98.65
Syrian Lira (100)	78.25	86.90	86.90
Egyptian Pound	4.54	4.62	4.62
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.20	12.13	12.13
Jordanian Dinar	11.25	11.24	11.24
Emirates Dirham (100)	89.50	89.65	89.65
Qatari Rial (100)	91.00	91.30	91.30
Bahraini Dinar	8.55	8.94	8.94
Iranian Rial (100)	26.60	—	—
Iraqi Dinar (100)	9.00	—	—
Yemeni Rial (100)	74.25	74.20	74.20
Moroccan Dirham (100)	80.00	86.80	86.80
Indian Rupee (100)	—	41.65	41.65
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.50	34.50
Gold kg.	44,600.00	—	—
10 Tolas bar	5,200.00	—	—
Silver kg.	—	—	—
Japanese Yen (1,000)	13.50	—	14.16
Canadian Dollar	2.88	—	—
Belgian Franc (1,000)	119.00	113.00	—
Dutch Guilder (1,000)	174.00	173.50	173.75
Spanish Peso	50.50	51.50	—
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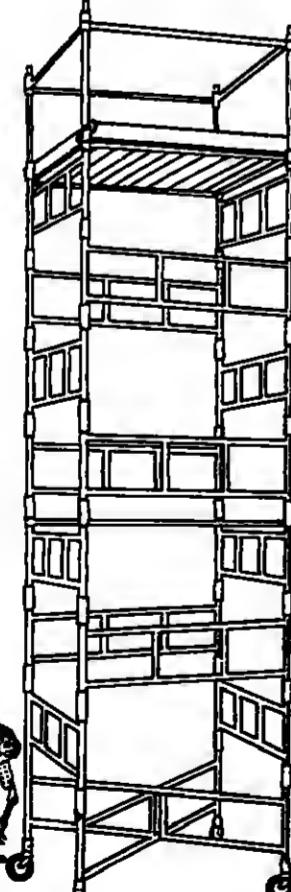
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Japan resumes exports to Iran

Ohira reportedly to visit Middle East

TOKYO, Nov. 30 (Agencies)

— Japanese Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira hopes to visit the Middle East as soon as possible to ensure stable oil supplies after the upheaval in Iran, informed sources here said Friday.

They said Ohira has not indicated the countries he hopes to visit.

Japan, whose economy is almost entirely dependent on imported oil, has been buying about 12 percent of its crude from Iran and nearly 30 percent from Saudi Arabia.

The foreign ministry said Ohira has no overseas trips planned apart from an official visit to China, Australia and New Zealand in the next two months.

Meanwhile, several major Japanese companies have resumed exports to Iran after a half-month suspension caused by the conflict between the United States and Iran.

An official at Mitsubishi Corporation said Friday export shipments are resuming "little by little" after Iran paid this week about \$5 million, half the sum due for goods already delivered to Iran.

Japan's exports on dollar-based contracts have been suspended since mid-November because foreign exchange banks refused to cash bills for Japanese-Iranian deals after U.S. President Jimmy Carter ordered a freeze on Iranian assets. Sources said that nine major Japanese trading firms had

concluded outstanding export contracts valued at about \$350 million.

The Mitsubishi spokesman said Japanese traders and banks are interested in switching existing and future contracts from settlement by dollars to yen, but that the Iranian side has yet to make its position clear on yen-based contracts.

Mitsui and Co. also said it would reopen export shipments to Iran after the central bank of Iran remitted \$480,000 to Mitsui accounts Wednesday, part of the \$2.3 million owed the Japanese bank.

Japan has previously settled purchases through American banks.

Soviet GNP lowest since WWII

MOSCOW, Nov. 30 (AP) —

Soviet national income during 1979 grew by the lowest rate since World War II and growth of industrial production fell far below planned levels.

The government newspaper *Izvestia* reported Thursday that this year's growth rate for national income, which roughly corresponds to gross national product in Western countries, is expected to be 2 percent over 1978.

During 1979, industrial production was projected to grow by 3.6 percent over last year, *Izvestia* said.

That rate would make this year's performance the poorest so far during the 1976-80 economic plan.

The figures were contained in speeches made Wednesday to the

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Venezuelan continues tour

Crude spot market seen handling 8m bbl

DOHA, Qatar, Nov. 30 (Agencies) — Venezuelan Mines and Energy Minister Humberto Calderon Berti said Friday the expensive "spot" market in crude oil was now handling about 8,000,000 barrels a day.

He told reporters that prices on this free market, where less than two million barrels a day were traded until the oil shortages earlier this year, were about \$40 a barrel.

This was nearly 60 percent above the \$35.5 a barrel ceiling set by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) at its last meeting in Geneva in June, he added.

Calderon, whose country will host the coming OPEC pricing conference next month, said a main objective of his present tour was to convince fellow member-states that this two-tier price system was harmful to OPEC interests.

He did not name any states but some OPEC members are reportedly selling oil on the spot market.

He arrived here Thursday from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and was due to leave for Saudi Arabia later Friday.

Calderon also urged self-restraint by consumers who, he said, must find other sources of energy and conserve what is now

available.

The minister, who said in Abu Dhabi Thursday that his country planned to reduce its oil production by 150,000 barrels a day next year, said Venezuela could supply the United States with additional quantities of oil to compensate for the loss of Iranian supplies.

"The oil-consuming nations must conserve energy and draw up energy conservation plans because the demand is becoming very high due to the cut in Iranian production," he said.

He accused oil companies of making huge profits and said that in new agreements, Venezuela will demand that these companies should not sell oil in the spot market.

Calderon said the future of prices would depend on the stability of oil markets: inflation, the stability of world currencies and the national products of developing countries.

"I think our main concern should be the developing countries, above everything," he said.

"We need to establish a South-South dialogue for a South one."

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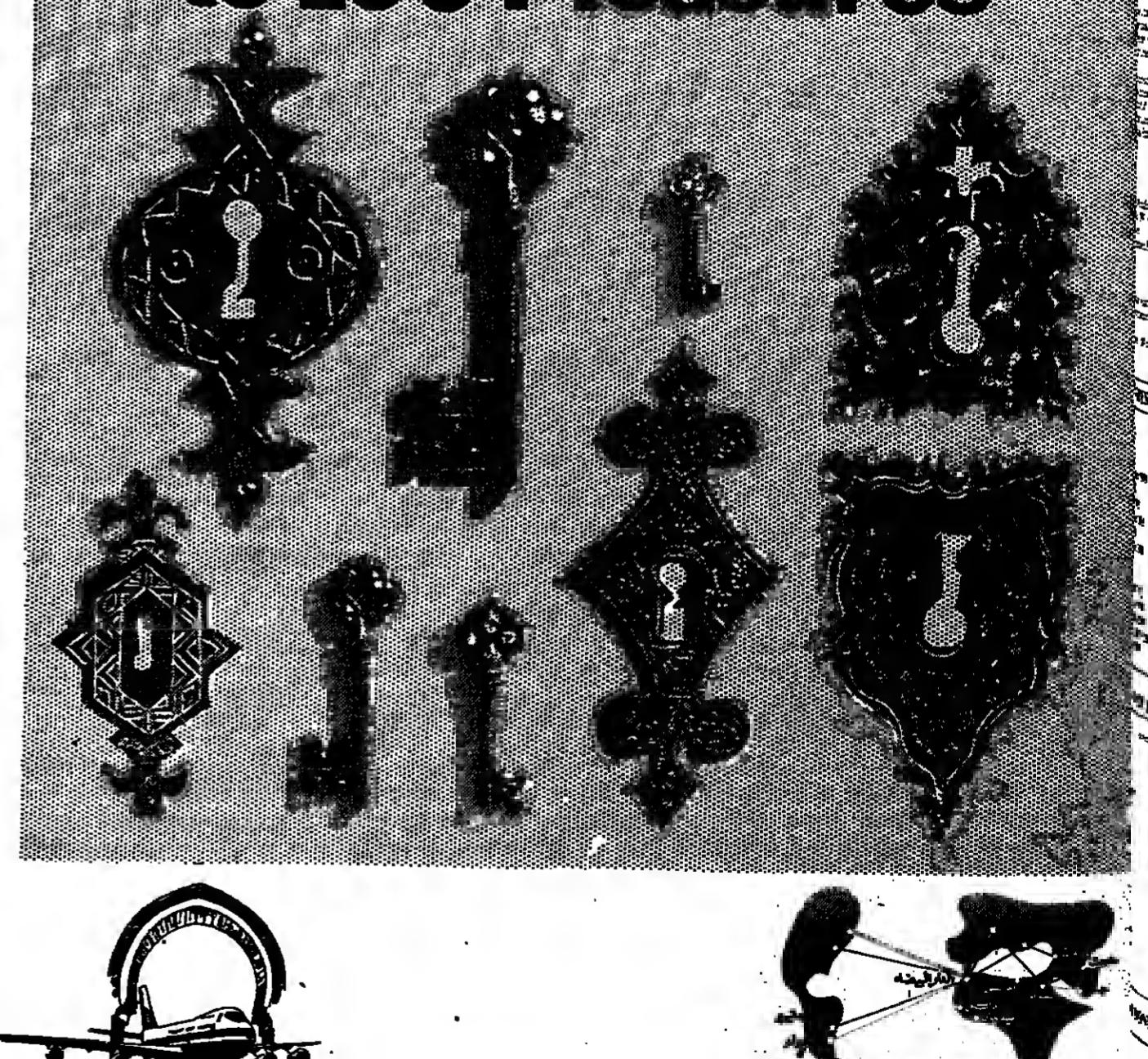
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Switzerland	1.6442	1.6357
Italy	1.6055	1.6077
France	1.5356	1.5195
Deutsche Mark	2.2676	2.2818
French Franc	5.33338	5.35291
Irland	1.0332	1.0371
Netherlands	1.4994	1.5056
Japan	3.27456	3.25371
Dutch Guilder	2.54095	2.54558
Norwegian Krone	6.60789	6.59277
Portuguese Escudo	0.00049	0.00049
Swiss Franc	4.35876	4.36599
Spain	66.228	66.228
Finland	3.7415	3.7449
U.S. Dollar	1.00000	1.00000
Canada	6.77572	6.78400
Indonesia Rupiah	81.6733	81.1224
Kuwait Dinar	0.563147	NA
Malaysian Ringgit	2.85159	2.85320
Singapore Dolar	2.84661	2.84771
Australia	1.0927	1.0931
Spain	66.228	66.228
U.S.A. Dollar	1.00000	1.00000
Venezuelan Bolivar	5.59334	5.59426

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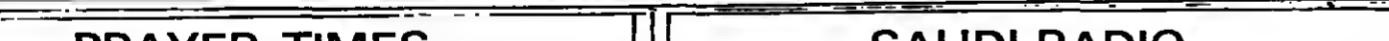
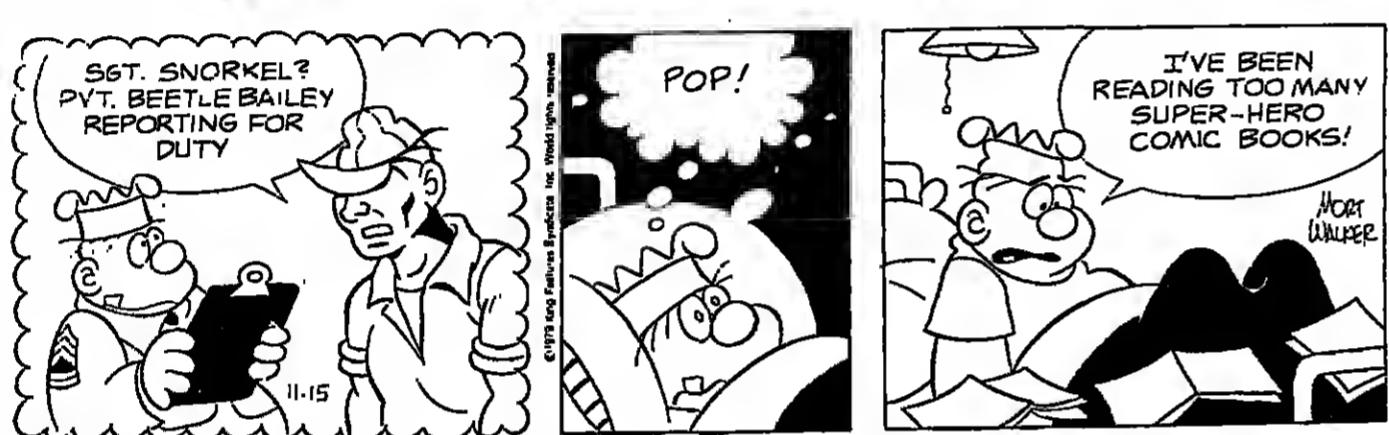
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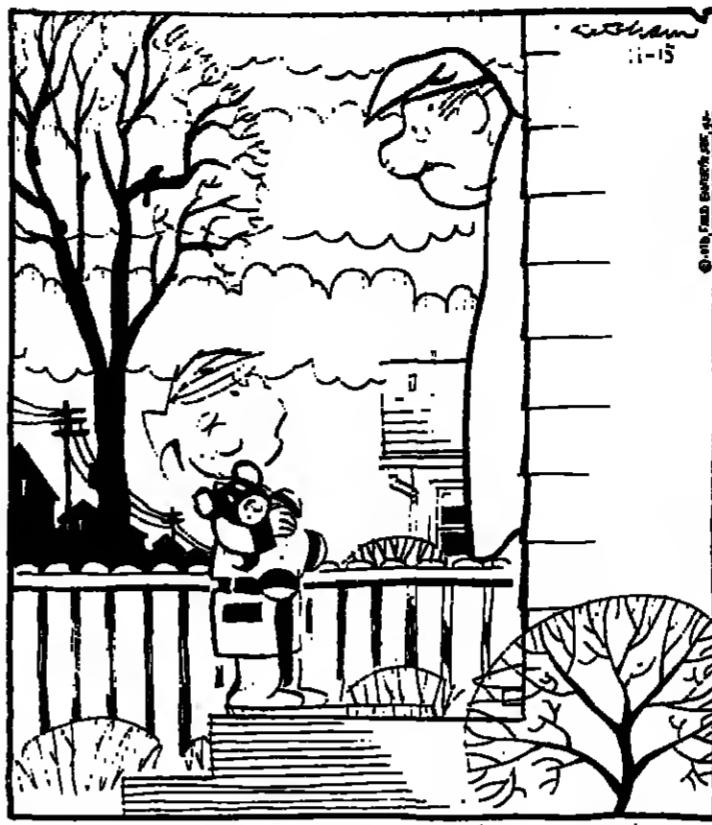
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1 Actress 3 Old oath
2 Indian state 4 In balance:
3 Jo Van — poet.
4 Neptune's 5 Neptune's emblem
5 Boring tool 6 Son of Jacob
6 Where 7 Theological school:
7 pirates abbr.
8 roamed 9 Easy task
9 Town 10 continent
10 CAYMOM 11 Patch
11 SHAM 12 Do an
12 Feel 13 user's job
13 Where 14 Sheik's belles
14 Boring tool 15 Type of cake
15 Prepare 16 Anderson's — High —
16 CAYMOM 17 Hippie's abode
17 SHAM 18 Drop from touch with
18 COMPASSION 19 Type of cake 20 Trampled
20 LEARNED 21 Wing: Lat.
21 WING 22 Drop from 23 Put on guard
22 SUFFOLK 23 Downs doc 24 Encountered
23 DROP 24 Statement
24 STATED 25 Chemical suffix
25 PORTAL 26 Anderson's — High —
26 STAGGER 27 Window feature
27 RIVER 28 Get in touch with
28 DESTINY 29 CAY 30 Popular
30 SEMPER 31 French singer
31 RYANIS 32 Trampled
32 WITHIN 33 Barbecue rod
33 GERMAN 34 IRISH river
34 CITY 35 Late actor, James —
35 BASIC 36 Destiny 37 Window feature
36 MARY 38 Trampled
38 MOORE 39 Poplar singer
39 DOWN 40 French
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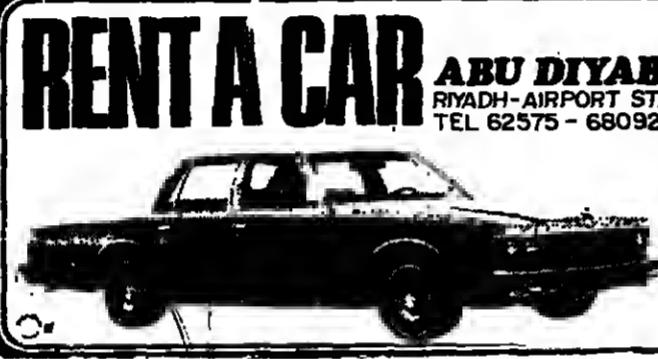
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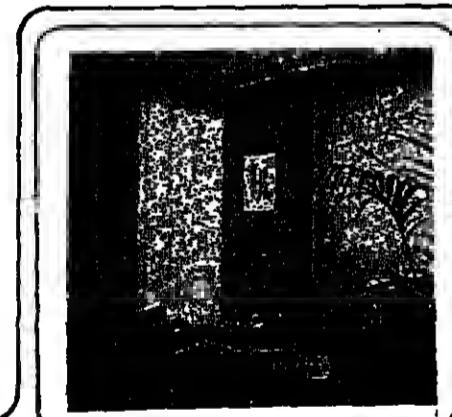
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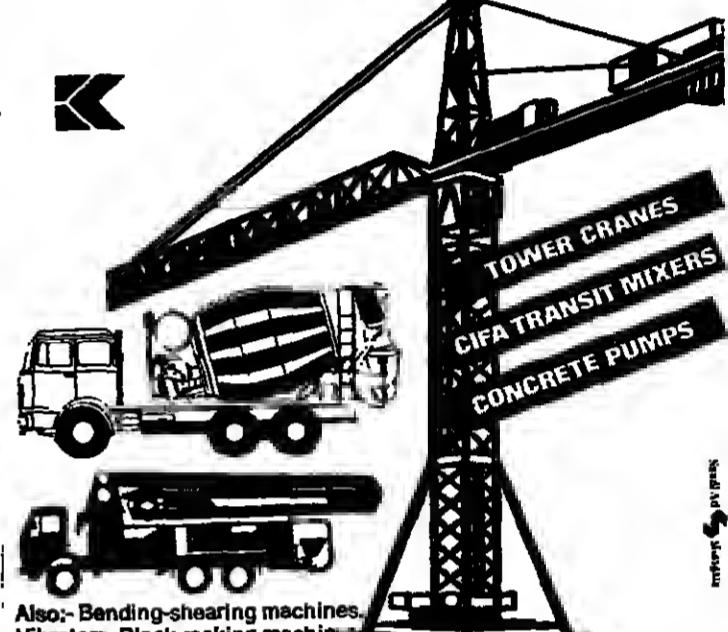
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Recovery hazardous

Engine failure ruled out in Antarctic air disaster

AUCKLAND, New Zealand, Nov. 30 (Agencies) — An Air New Zealand DC-10 airliner which crashed into an Antarctic volcano killing all 257 people on board had its power on at the time of the accident, the airline's chief executive said Friday.

"The information that has reached us at the moment is that the aircraft contacted the terrain with power on, not power off, and that is significant," Morrie Davis said.

He said he learned the information from investigations at the crash site, but he gave no other details.

Davis' statement seemed to rule out the possibility of engine failure as one of several theories advanced for the cause of the crash.

In Antarctic, recovery teams began sifting through the frozen wreckage of the DC-10 Friday, trying to find what caused it to smash into the icy Antarctic wastes.

Aided by crack New Zealand mountaineers, the teams are searching for the black box flight recorder and the tape of the crew's conversation that might give them a clue to the cause of the tragedy.

The three-engined Air New Zealand jet ploughed into the side of the Mount Erebus volcano on Wednesday.

The teams expect to retrieve only about 70 of the bodies. The first are thought to have been consumed by fire after the crash, which occurred when the plane's tanks were still two-thirds full for its spectacular tourist flight over the Antarctic.

A camp has been established at the crash site and teams are edging their way around a series of deep crevasses which are scattered around the area.

U.S. helicopters have been dropping the men onto the icy steep slopes of Mount Erebus, still an active volcano.

Little of the DC-10 remains — a short section of fuselage, part of an under carriage, a hot metal container from the plane's galleys, and the taunt green and white tail fin still carrying the traditional Maori Koru symbol of Air New Zealand.

Those bodies still intact were scattered several hundred yards from the main area of the wreckage.

Recovery teams face a race against time to recover the bodies and carry out the crash investigation, as the Antarctic's summer thaw sets in during December.

During that time only ski-equipped aircraft will be able to land at the nearby bases of

McMurdo and Scott, and there are fears that wreckage on the mountain slopes could slide into crevasses, making work even more hazardous.

Aircraft are flying men and equipment in throughout the day from Christchurch — an operation that has produced its own hazards.

A giant U.S. Air Force Starfighter jet suffered an engine flame-out as it started its take-off run at Christchurch.

It immediately taxied off the runway as a C-130 Hercules transport landed after flight from Scott Base. Because the Hercules could not immediately leave the runway, a second Hercules had to cut short its landing.

A U.S. Air Force spokesman said the planes were in no serious danger, but added that the incident showed the problems of increased air traffic in the area.

In Auckland, the New Zealand Airline Pilots Association said Friday it was outraged at a suggestion of pilot error in the DC-10 crash.

Roy Thomson, the leader of the recovery operation, said Thursday the aircraft was on the wrong side of Mt. Erebus and was "certainly in the wrong place to come down to such a low altitude."

Commenting on Thomson's remarks, he said he thought it "quite untoward for any-

LOST JET: Shown is an Air New Zealand DC-10 similar to the one which crashed in Antarctica Wednesday, killing all aboard.

Captain D.G. McAlister, the association president, said his association accepted Thomson's expertise in Antarctic matters but his opinion on the aircraft operation had left members appalled.

"The association considers it an outrage that a person such as Thomson should spread such a scurrilous hypothesis on the cause of the accident," McAlister said.

Air New Zealand chief executive Davis described the plane's skipper, Jim Collins, as probably one of the outstanding pilots of the airline.

Commenting on Thomson's remarks, he said he thought it "quite untoward for any-

body to make a judgment on the cause of the accident at this time. It is also untoward to make an inference that reacts against the aircraft," Davis said.

Meanwhile, friends and relatives picking up cars of the victims at Auckland airport car parks have had to pay extra charges because of the time the cars were left there.

Relatives were paying two to three times the anticipated price because the cars were parked so long.

Airport manager Bill McDonald said the normal charges were applied to victims' cars because no one thought of doing anything about it.

South African ambassador

No clues surface in envoy kidnapping

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador Nov. 30 (AP) — Police on Thursday found a small blue pickup used in the kidnapping of South African Ambassador Archibald Gardner Dunn. Officials said there were no signs of violence in the car.

Gardner Dunn, 60, was kidnapped Wednesday noon by a gang of 10 to 15 men and women carrying submachine guns and pistols as he left the South African embassy in a high-rise building on a busy street.

The ambassador's driver, Humberto Mendoza, told the Associated Press that when Gardner Dunn walked out of the embassy, he was intercepted by the group shouting "This is an assault. This is a kidnapping." He said the attackers dragged him to one car and then to the pickup.

The abductors held a pistol to Gardner Dunn's head while they decided which car to take him away in, Mendoza said. He added the abductors were all young people, but appeared "to be very determined."

Foreign Minister Hector Dada Hirzei said the kidnapping "was a lamentable situation" and all Gardner Dunn's diplomatic privileges would be maintained.

But he added the government had gone ahead with its plan to sever diplomatic relations with the South African government in protest over its segregationist policies. He said the decision had been made before the kidnapping.

Irishman gets nine-year term

DUBLIN, Nov. 30 (AP) — Desmond O'Hare, wanted for questioning in Northern Ireland for at least 27 political killings, was sentenced to nine years in prison on Thursday by the anti-terrorist Special Criminal Court for firearms offenses in the Irish Republic. O'Hare, who comes from the Irish Republican Army stronghold of South Armagh in the north has been described by police as the most wanted guerrilla in the embattled British province.

Police on both sides of the Irish border believe the 23-year-old O'Hare is one of the busiest killers in the IRA's "Provisional" wing.

The outlawed IRA, which is almost exclusively Roman Catholic, is fighting to end British rule in Protestant-dominated Northern Ireland and reunite it with the overwhelmingly Catholic Republic.

O'Hare was arrested last October after a high-speed chase near the Northern Ireland border that ended when his car crashed.

Police found two rifles plus ammunition in O'Hare's auto. His passenger, 25-year-old Tony McClelland, was killed in the crash.

South Africa's Foreign Minister Roelof Botha, on a diplomatic visit to Bonn, West Germany, asked the Salvadoran government to "act in such a way that his (Dunn's) life was not endangered and to ensure his safety."

None of the country's terrorist organizations had yet to claim responsibility for the abduction. It was the first violent action in nearly three weeks and the first kidnapping since the Oct. 15 coup that overthrew the former military regime of President Carlos Humberto Romero.

Many of the leftist groups have accused the new military-civilian junta of being an extension of the Romero government. But several prominent left-wing groups after ending their occupation of the labor and economy ministries early this month promised a 30-day

truce to give the government a chance to fulfill some of its promises.

Gardner Dunn's personal secretary, who asked her name not be used, described the diplomat as "methodical and friendly" and a "man who did not lose his cool (control) easily."

Gardner Dunn's son, Robin, appealed over a local radio station to the kidnappers to let him join his father in captivity. He assured the kidnappers in the broadcast that neither the police nor other security organizations would intervene in the kidnapping.

The same goes for the "ad射ing" case. Such mistakes often occur. For example, bird hunters do not annually account for a regular number of their own colleagues, certainly, than an average army.

Further, how could a charge of "tant shooting" stand in a country day and night, people shoot each other with full premeditation and success.

Once more, poor men in a being slowly and brutally raped, pulverized for four long years were tried for sleeping, minor and of hash, accidental shooting. It is they will have to be tried according to the "intolerant" laws of Holland. That could not have offended the "equal" laws of Lebanon.

Translated from *Asharq Al-Awsat*

Hits U.S. deregulation policy

Airline conference boosts fares

MANILA, Nov. 30 (AP) — The world's major airlines have agreed to raise fares to counter the tight supply of crude oil and its rapid price rise.

The resolution was approved Thursday on the eve of the closing session of the four-day 35th annual general meeting of the International Air Transport Association, climaxing bitter attacks on the U.S. administration's policies of deregulation.

A final vote passed the proposal, sponsored by Chairman Adam Thomson of British Caledonian Airlines, by 47 votes to three with five abstentions.

The conference began Tuesday with IATA Secretary General Knut Hammarskjold delivering an attack on the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Board, which has threatened to withdraw immunity from anti-trust prosecution from any airline implementing IATA's traffic conference resolutions on regulated fares.

Hammarskjold described CAB's action as

Last of comic brothers

Zeppo Marx dead in California

PALM SPRINGS, California, Nov. 30 (R) — Zeppo Marx, the last surviving member of the Marx Brothers comedy team, died early Friday in a hospital here. He was 78.

Zeppo Marx, whose real name was Herbert, had entered the hospital six days ago for treatment of an undisclosed ailment, a hospital spokeswoman said.

The Marx Brothers left Vaudeville in 1929 to make films which are still popular with audiences of all ages.

Some of their most popular films of the brothers, all of whom were born in New York City, include "Ajaia Crackers," "A Night at the Opera," "Duck Soup," and "Horsefeathers."

Zeppo played the curly-haired handsome

straight man to his brothers' rollicking slaps.

His roles usually provided the singing, romantic interest.

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Zeppo withdrew from the act in 1935 to become their manager.

Joyce Grenfell dies in London

LONDON, Nov. 30 (AP) — Joyce Grenfell, one of the best-loved figures in show business, died Friday at her London home, a relative said.

Helped by a long, toothy smile, Grenfell created the character of spinsterish, upper-class English whom she made vastly popular in her career which included entertainers World War II, 17 films and many plays and monologues. She was a panelist in the British Broadcast television program "Face The Music." She toured a score of countries Australia, Canada and the United States wrote the scripts of her solo stage casting roles.

She was the niece of Lady Nancy, American-born feminist who was a woman to take a seat as an elected Britain's House of Commons. She appeared only two days ago in a tribute to her aunt.

Her autobiography "Joyce Grenfell Requests the Pleasure" was a best-seller in 1976.



THE OTHER SIDE: Three young Americans who apparently don't support President Jimmy Carter's handling of the Iranian crisis are these three young women who held a press conference in Tehran late last week to voice their backing for the embassy takeover. All three are married to Iranians.

Polls, protests show

U.S. backs Carter on Iran crisis

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 — The overwhelming majority of the American people would support President Jimmy Carter if he chose to use military force against Iran if the hostages are hurt, according to new public opinion polls.

An NBC-TV Associated Press poll released Tuesday shows that Carter has rallied considerable public support behind his cautious attitude on the Iranian seizure of the U.S. embassy in Tehran.

And that may have a positive effect on his flagging hopes for re-election, sources here say.

Before the crisis political experts had grave doubts about Carter's chances for re-election in 1980, but his handling of the crisis so far has won him a good deal of public respect and boosted his political prospects for the coming presidential campaign.

While Carter said this past week he intends to pursue a peaceful resolution of the Iranian crisis, he has made it clear he retains the option to take military action against Iran if any of the 50 hostages in Tehran are hurt or killed by their captors.

Political analysts here believe that the president would be forced to take military reprisals against Iran in the event any hostages are harmed or slain. If he failed to do so, the analysts say, Carter would lose any chance he may now have to be re-elected in 1980.

U.S. military action against Iran would probably take the form of bombing strikes against selected strategic targets, such as Iranian military installations or industrial sites.

sources here say.

It is highly unlikely the U.S. would introduce ground troops into Iran or attack oil installations, the sources say, though contingency plans are available for both options.

Airlifting combat troops to Iran — presumably in an effort to free the remaining hostages — would be logically difficult. Also the necessary absence of the element of surprise would put the lives of the hostages and other Americans in Iran in extreme jeopardy, according to sources.

The bombing of oil installations is strenuously opposed by Japan and the Western European countries, which would suffer severely from any cutoff of Iranian oil.

America's industrialized allies have been reluctant to take a strong public stand against the Iranian embassy seizure, for fear of jeopardizing their access to Iranian oil.

No European state would take the initiative in calling for a U.N. Security Council meeting on the crisis, although the NATO countries are fully in sympathy with the U.S. position. This European coolness meant the initiative for a council meeting had to come from Secretary General Kurt Waldheim — only the second secretary general ever to call for such an emergency session.

Europe's cautious and cool attitude toward the crisis led U.S. policymakers to hesitate about using the military option early in the crisis, as was recommended by a number of Pentagon officials.

The White House has now decided to use military force if any hostages are hurt or killed, and has left open the possibility of military reprisals even if the hostages are released.

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